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For: A SYSTEM FOR FORMING A THERMALLY-SHAPED OPTICAL FIBER
(amended)

AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed December 20, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

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